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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 5, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated July 28, 2005, Applicants hereby submit a Notice of Appeal accompanied by a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review.

The Applicants traverse these rejections because Ito (U.S. Publication No. 2001/0013097) fails to teach, disclose, or suggest modifying *a frame* of data representing program content to include *multiple copies of receiver identification data*.

Ito teaches inserting ID data into a group of pixels that are a subset of a frame (e.g. a 3x3 pixel area), but does not teach inserting *multiple copies* of the same ID data into a single frame.

Ito also teaches spreading ID information over several image frames (see Final Office Action, page 2), but nowhere suggests modifying *a frame* of data to include *multiple copies* of receiver identification data.

With Respect to the independent claims, the Applicant's arguments can be found on the following pages of the Applicant's Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 116:

Independent Claim	Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 116
19	16-17
1, 9, and 27	18-20
17, 18, 37, and 44	20-21

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is now in good order or allowance and allowance is respectfully submitted. Should it be believed that minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Applicants urge that the undersigned Attorney be contacted.

Respectfully submitted,

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Applicant requests review of the final rejection in the above-identified application. No amendments are being filed with this request.

This request is being filed with a notice of appeal.

The review is requested for the reason(s) stated on the attached sheet(s).
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